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January 28, 2000

Mr. David Waddell **Executive Secretary** Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re:

Application of Nashville Gas Company, a Division of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. for an Adjustment of its Rates and Charges, the Approval of Revised Tariffs and the Approval of Revised Service Regulations Docket No. 99-00994

Dear Mr. Waddell:

I am enclosing for filing in the above captioned proceeding, the original and fourteen copies of a Motion to Establish Procedural Schedule.

I am enclosing an additional copy of the Motion that I would appreciate your stamping filed and returning in the enclosed envelope.

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Encl.

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Vincent Williams, Consumer Advocate

T.G. Pappas, Esq.



Before The Tennessee Regulatory Authority

Nashville, Tennessee

Docket No. 99-00994

In re:

Application of Nashville Gas Company, a
Division of Piedmont Natural Gas
Company, Inc. for an Adjustment of its
Rates and Charges, the Approval of Revised
Tariffs and the Approval of Revised Service
Regulations.

Nashville Gas Company (Nashville Gas), a division of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont), hereby moves the Authority to appoint an administrative law judge or member of the Staff for the purpose of proposing a procedural schedule (including a hearing date) in this docket. In support of this motion, Nashville Gas respectfully shows:

- 1. On December 30, 1999, Nashville Gas filed an application seeking an adjustment of its rates and charges, the approval of revised tariffs and the approval of revised service regulations, to be effective on February 1, 2000.
- 2. On January 11, 2000, the Authority suspended the effective date of the proposed rates and charges.
- 3. It has been the practice of the Authority to establish a procedural schedule (including a hearing date) in such proceedings. In order to accommodate the busy schedules of the Directors, the Authority Staff and the parties, it would be helpful if the procedural schedule (and, in particular, the hearing date) could be established as soon as possible. It would also be helpful if the Authority would appoint an administrative law judge or Staff member to meet with the parties for the purpose of providing the Authority with a recommended procedural schedule.

Wherefore, it is respectfully requested that the Authority appoint an administrative law judge or member of the Staff for the purpose of proposing for consideration of the Authority a procedural schedule (including a hearing date) in this docket.

This the 28 day of January, 2000.

Nashville Gas Company, a division of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing document upon each party of record and/or its counsel by depositing the same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid to their last known address.

This the 28th day of January, 2000.

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